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Apartment fire claims one life

DARTMOUTH An adult male is dead following a late afternoon fire yesterday at a Dartmouth apartment

building. Firefighters were called to 112 Pinecrest Dr., just after 5 p.m., and according to Halifax Regional Fire burn, they encountered heavy smoke coming from one of the two third-floor apartments when they arrived.

Blackburn said they quickly put out the fire, with one person found dead inside

Blackburn said "two people occupied the apartment," but there were no other injuries. He wouldn't say where the fire might have started or where the body was found.

No other apartments in the building suffered damage, he said.

The identity of the victim hasn't been released. Halifax Regional Police issued a release last night only stating the victim "is believed to be an adult male'

Both police and fire investigators were investigating the blaze last evening.

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Leading Seaman Todd Leeper hugs his wife, Amy, and children Ella, 4, and Jack, 3, yesterday morning after returning home aboard HMCS Halifax. The Halifax was part of the relief effort in Haiti for the past six weeks. Story, page 4.

No changes for cops

Behind closed doors, HRM council votes to keep current system

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ALEX BOUTILIER for Metro Halifax

The make-up of policing in

HRM is staying the same. Halifax regional council

voted to keep the integrated services of the Halifax Regional Police and the RCMP in a closed-door meeting yesterday. Mayor Peter Kelly would-

n't share the exact results of the in-camera vote, but indicated an "overwhelming majority" of councillors supported maintain-

"(The issue) is one that is very divisive," Kelly told reporters after the all-day meeting concluded. "(But) after careful consideration, council endorsed the status quo."

Under the current system. the HRP services Halifax, Dartmouth and Bedford, while the RCMP patrol outlying areas such as Cole Harbour and Sackville.

A report from the **Inside** Board of Police Commissioners, de- • For a breaklivered to council Monday, suggested several different policing modmodels for policing els outlined in HRM. These included expanding page 5. HRP service to Cole Harbour and Lower

Sackville, expanding the RCMP service to the entire municipality, as well as maintaining the current integrated system.

The police commission

recommended a fourth op- handing all policing duties in the municipality to the HRP. The report listed several advantages of this option, including financial savings, increased cohesion

and the elimination of overhead.

But after two days of discussion, coun-cil decided to stick with the current integrated system.

Police Commission chair Russell Walker said "time will tell" if council's decision will hurt the mu-

nicipality. "Council made a decision and they're going with the status quo," he said. "That's council's decision. They asked us to do a report and we did a report !

Halifax RCMP Supt. Darrell Beaton said in a release late yesterday he was very pleased with the outcome from council.

"It has been a very lengthy and detailed exer-

cise," he said.
"I am ... very pleased to see HRM council's continued support of the unique integrated policing model process, which brings to-gether the best practices and people of both organizations to the benefit of the communities serve."

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Reunion Bail for accused in cross

CRIME Shavne Howe isn' happy bail has been granted to the two brothers accused of burning a cross on his front lawn.

"I'm disgusted, I'm frus-trated," he told Metro. "I don't feel there was any support from the justice system at all. There was none !

Justin Rehberg, 19, and Nathan Rehberg, 20, each face charges of criminal harassment, mischief, uttering threats and public incitement of hatred in relation to a cross-burning incident Feb. 21.

Howe, who is black, and his fiancée, Michelle Lyons, who is white, looked out their window in Newport, Hants Co.,

and say they saw a burning cross on their lawn with a noose on it. When Howe investigated, he shirs were hurled at him.



At yesterday's bail hearing at provincial court in Windsor, the judge granted bail to the accused, with conditions. They include no contact with Howe, Lyons or their five children and a nightly curfew from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. They also must reside with their grandparents, who posted

lands Crossing, Hants Co. You tell me what kind of justice there is in that,' Howe said of the conditions.

bail and live in nearby Gar-

The two brothers are back in court March 9 for election and or plea.

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MLAs change ing the status quo.



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Suspect in fatal stabbing granted bail

COURT A 28-year-old man charged in the stabbing death of a Halifax man is out of prison.

Michael Ray Ells, also of Halifax, was granted bail with conditions yesterday at Halifax provincial court. Until yesterday, he had been remanded at the Burnside jail.

Ells is charged in the death of 48-year-old Robert Douglas Payne, who was found in the early morning hours of Feb. 23, suffering from a stab wound inside an apartment at 6 Foxwood Terr. in Spryfield.

Payne died in hospital. Police say Ells was in the apartment with the victim when officers arrived and was arrested. They say the victim suffered a stab wound to the chest.

Police also say the accused and victim knew each other and it was an isolated incident.

Ells' bail conditions include living under house arrest at a residence in Canning. He's due back in court on May 4 for election and or plea. PHILIP CROUCHER/ METRO HALIFAX



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Expense system revamped

Parties back flurry of changes at board meeting April deadline set

MLAs jumped to cut everything but the kitchen sink from expense accounts yesterday at the first public meeting of the internal economy board.

Among the changes, allowances MLAs claimed they used to fund hockey teams, donate to charities and help needy con-stituents with groceries and rent money were cut to a small fraction of their former value.

One unexpected NDP motion cut a \$1,050 per month non-receiptable allowance altogether. The Liberals had their own surprise proposal to drastically limit advertising spending to 10 per cent an MLA's constituency budget.

Every motion brought up was supported unanimously by all three parties.

Liberal MLA Manning MacDonald said of his motion that public money supporting the community should go through community services or emergency groups, not be doled out by politicians. He said MLAs were expected to use their advertising money to sup port charities but that will have to change

"MLAs should not get elected on how much advertising they can put out there or how much they can donate, rather what kind of work they do in their constituency," he said.

Deputy Premier Frank Corbett said the changes could hurt some community groups and members but were necessary to restore public confidence.

The glut of unexpected proposals sparked grum-



Former speaker Art Donahoe gathers his papers after delivering his interim report into MLA expenses at Province House yesterday.

Changes

Some changes unanimously adopted yesterday by the legislature's internal economy board:

 Cutting a \$1,050 monthly non-receiptable allowance.

- Advertising, which can make up three-quarters of an MLA's monthly budget, now limited to 10 per cent of the total allowance. All expenses made as of
- March 1 will soon be posted online.
- All expenses need receipts. Food per diems are dropped from \$84 to the civ-

blings of parties trying to one-up each other on reforms.

Tory MLA Cecil Clarke said he supported the motions on principal but said the NDP should have worked out a comprehensive strategy instead of making "knee-jerk reactions" to distance itself from a scandal.



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money for Frank Corbett them now, without anything to replace that," he said.

Former Speaker Art Donahoe presented his interim report, which revealed only one overworked employee and an inadequate computer system were in place to approve expenses. Donahoe said some MLAs added further pressure by leaning on the employee to have their expenses processed within

a couple days.

Donahoe wants to see three employees in charge of MLAs expenses plus a computer system capable of detecting duplicate payments.

Other recommendations include setting up an audit committee and limiting political advertising.

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for repayments

SPENDING The government has set a deadline to retrieve about \$23,000 in redflagged expenses that have not been returned from 19 MLAs

all-party internal The economy board voted to give current and former MLAs until April 3 to repay expenses auditor general Jacques Lapointe deemed excessive, inappropriate or duplicate payments.

If current MLAs don't reimburse the government or provide an explanation as to why they shouldn't, the amount will be automatically taken off future expenses.

But Deputy Premier Frank Corbett said there's Premier no way to force former

MLAs to pay up.
"That's beyond my scope to do," he said.

Unreturned items deemed excessive include former premier Rodney MacDonald's projector screen and desk kit (\$3,250), former cabinet minister Bill Dooks' website design and programming (\$6,234) and Liberal MLA Keith Colwell's projector (\$2,655) and video camera (\$1,763).

Expenses flagged as "in-appropriate" still out there include Michel Samson's \$1,540 for phone services and Wayne Gaudet's \$1,260 in parking lot sanding fees to a company owned by his brother.

Some MLAs have said they were waiting for direction from the Speaker's office. Others stood by their expenses. NDP MI.A Leonard Epstein has said his \$3,000 in books is justified.

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Pair charged after marijuana seizure

DRUGS A sizable quantity of marijuana has been seized from a home in Cole Harbour.

Over four kilograms of pot were seized during a raid last Friday at a home on Taranaki Drive.

A parcel mailed from British Columbia to an address on the street was examined by Canada Post inspectors, then allowed to reach its destination.

A 30-year-old man and 25-year-old woman are facing charges of conspiracy to traffic and possession of a controlled substance.

They will appear in court in Mav. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Police advise residents to guard against break-ins

warning Halifax Regional Police are advising residents in the western half of peninsular Halifax that there has been a rash of break-ins since Christmas.

Police say there have been 16 incidents where homes in the area have been broken into and items stolen, including laptops, musical instruments and video games.

Police say in most of the 16 break-ins, doors were left unlocked. They are advising everyone that keeping your doors and windows locked acts as a deterrent for anyone looking to get in. METRO HALIFAX

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Suspect sought in armed threat

Police are looking for a man who they say threatened a newspaper delivery person with a gun around Victoria Road in Dartmouth. Police say the incident took place at 4:50 a.m. yesterday but the victim wasn't harmed as the suspect ran off after threatening him. METRO HALIFAX

Impaired driving arrest leads to grow-op charges

LOWER SACKVILLE Three people are facing drug charges following the search of a home in Lower Sackville this week. Halifax RCMP say a 45-

year-old man was arrested for impaired driving on Monday at 3:12 a.m. When making the arrest, police allege they came across what looked to be a marijuana grow operation in a residence on Sami Drive.

Police say they executed a search warrant and seized over 20 marijuana plants and drug parapher-

The 45-year-old, along with a 22-year-old man and 60-year-old are each charged with cultivation of a controlled substance. They will appear in court on April 21. METRO HALIFAX

Accidental fire likely killed man, 78: Police

SYDNEY MINES Cape Breton Regional Police say it appears a small fire killed a 78-year-old Sydney Mines man found dead inside his home by a relative around 5:30 p.m. Monday.

'It looks at this point like an accidental fire inside his home," said Staff Sgt. Paul Muise, adding the victim was burned in the fire, which caused 'minimal damage" to the kitchen and living room.

Nobody reported the fire, which was out when the grisly discovery was made. Muise said the relative was checking on the elderly man and added the victim may have died a day or two before the body was found.

Police say an autopsy will take place in Halifax. CAPE BRETON POST

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HMCS Halifax back from Haiti

Relief ship arrives to warm welcome after six weeks away

The mission was different but the homecoming had the same outpouring of love for crew members of the HMCS Halifax.

On Jan. 14 the ship and its 225 crew members departed from Halifax harbour for Haiti with no fixed return date, just two days after a massive earthquake devastated the island nation.

Dozens of families gathered on a Halifax dock yesterday morning, shaking off the biting cold wind while waving Cana-dian flags and welcome home signs.

As the ship grew nearer children ran around excitedly — and to stay warm - while a band played songs ranging from the Hockey Night in Canada theme to What Do You Do With A Drunken Sailor.

"It's been difficult. Very officult. We had no preparation because it just happened so quickly," Wendy Pearcey said as she waited for her husband Carl to get back.

"It wasn't a deployment where you know that they're going for six months and you have a start date and an end date ... But we're very proud of



Family and friends of HMCS Halifax sailors cheer as the ship arrives home yesterday morning. Sailors on the Halifax were taking part in the international relief effort in Haiti for the last six weeks.

the work they've done. Very proud."

Crew were swarmed by joyful friends and family as they stepped onto the dock. At a brief press conference officers spoke confidently of the work they did in Jacmel.

"The city was much at a standstill when we first got there. The

first thing we did is we cleared the streets so we could facilitate the movement," said Commander Josee Kurtz.

"Then we moved on from there to food distribution, sanitation and water distribution.

Thanks to satellite TV crew members were able to catch the last few days

of the Olympic Games on the way back home. Practically the entire crew gathered in the mess hall for the gold medal match, where they saw Sidney Crosby score the overtime winner for Canada in men's hockey.

It was a nice way to end the trip," said Petty Officer Wayne Burke.

Mulgrave off radar for jail, says mayor

FACILITY The mayor of a Nova Scotia town is resigned to the fact her community is not on the radar as a possible site for the province's new jail.

Mulgrave Mayor Marnie Simmons says she tried to sell the town as a suitable site for the correctional facility to Justice Minister Ross Landry.

But Simmons says he never got back to her. adding she's since heard through the grapevine her town is not on the

The province is building a new facility to replace two aging jails in Antigonish and Amherst.

Landry told a meeting with municipal leaders from the town and county of Antigonish in mid-February that a decision on the location would be made within two to three THE CANADIAN PRESS

Expansion fund topped up \$75M day after loan

PROVINCE Nova Scotia is topping up its Industrial Expansion Fund by an additional \$75 million for this fiscal year.

The move comes a day after the province announced a \$75-million loan to the Northern Pulp mill in Abercrombie.

The loan will help the mill buy 190,000 hectares of woodland in the province from Neenah Paper.

Percy Paris, the province's economic and rural development minister, says the increase in the expansion fund is needed to respond to the opportunity at Northern Pulp.

Cape Breton nixes policing of Wagmatcook

ton Regional Police Service will not be patrolling Wagmatcook First Nation, and it's not yet clear what will happen to the three-person RCMP detachment currently covering the reserve.

Police spokesperson Desiree Vassallo said negotiations between the Cape Breton Regional Municipality, the provincial and federal governments and Wagmatband council ended

RCMP contract

 Wagmatcook First Nation had planned to end its contract with RCMP on April 1 and replace policing with the Cape Breton Regional Police

late Friday after it became the municipality might be on the hook for some of the cost.

"The CBRM has withdrawn from the proposal to

The band's decision came 13 months after an RCMP officer fatally shot Wagmatcook resident John Simon.

provide Wagmatcook with policing services, basically because the parties couldn't reach an agreement that would assure no financial liability to the CBRM taxpay-

Vassallo said she had few other details because the decision to withdraw from the negotiations was made by the chief administrative officer's office.

The municipality had authorized the police service to make an offer to provide five officers to the community, which is about 60 kilometres from Sydney, at a cost of just over \$600,000 a CAPE BRETON POST

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warrant at a Tower Road home. The three are facing drug charges. TRURO DAILY NEWS

Running down council's models of policing

ALEX BOUTILIER for Metro Halifax

The Board of Police Commissioner's report released last night revealed council debated four different models of policing in two days of closed door meetings this week.

Option A was to maintain the status quo, which was what council voted for. The report cited no disruption in service, the urban expertise of Halifax Regional Police, and the rural expertise of the RCMP as advantages. Disadvantages to maintaining this model, according to the report, include the image of a divided municipality and future uncertainty concerning federal contributions to the RCMP's operating costs.

Option B suggested expanding the HRP to Lower Sackville and Cole Harbour, harmonizing the urban and suburban cores, as well as reducing overhead costs. Disadvantages to this model, according to the report, include the possibility of impairing the relation-ship between HRP and the RCMP.

Option C, which the board recommended, involved expanding the HRP to take over all policing duThis model was the best fi nancial option, according to the report, and HRM would have greater control policing operations budgets. Disadvantages included the elimination of the RCMP's presence and possible disruption in effected communi-

Option D involved the takeover of policing duties in the HRM by the RCMP. This model had similar advantages to option C but cited high transition costs. as well as reduced budgetary control and oversight for regional council as disadvantages.

Mayor and councillors get look at new hybrid buses

cillors you're likely ever see on one bus.

Energy Minister Bill Esannounced \$600,000 provincial contribution toward two new hybrid Metro Transit buses yesterday. Halifax regional councillors, staff and media piled on to one of the buses to hear the announcement. and take a test ride around the block.

The buses, which went into service yesterday, cost \$1.3 million each. The province's subsidy means HRM will hold a \$2 million price tag for both.

"(These buses are) further evidence to our continued commitment in developing a sustainable public transit system here in HRM," said Pat Soanes, general manager of Metro Transit.

Estabrooks called the announcement a good day for both the environment and

'This hybrid bus can use up to 30 per cent less diesel than a traditional bus. That means on their own Metro Transit's two hybrid buses could reduce greenhouse gas emissions by more than 49 tonnes each year," he



Mayor Peter Kelly walks back to city hall after going for a ride aboard a new hybrid bus yesterday. Two new hybrid buses were unveiled yesterday to initially be used in the downtown core.

Routes 1 and 10

• The new hybrid Metro Transit buses are scheduled to be used on routes No. 1

said. "In short, these very long buses present one of the best opportunities we have to use less fuel, save money, and reduce air pollution.

The province will monitor the emissions of the new buses for the next year and a half. Estabrooks said

if the buses achieve expectations, he hopes they will represent a strong business case for more hybrid buses in HRM.

Mayor Peter Kelly said the provincial contribution is much appreciated."

"This is a direction that council has asked that we as an operation look in terms of reducing greenhouse gases, and making sure these are highly efficient for the downtown," he said. "And these are that."

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Majumder, Rhea, Dee headline ComedyFest

FESTIVAL The 15th annual Halifax ComedyFest is fast approaching year's lineup should again have people laughing up and down the aisles.

Confirmed performers include Mark Critch and Shaun Majumder of CBC's This Hour Has 22 Minutes, Canadian Caroline Rhea from Biggest The Loser and Gerry Dee, a standup comic and regular contributor to The Score TV net-

Also amongst the over 25 comedians taking to the stage are Steve Patterson, Jay Malone, Jonny Harris, Debra DiGiovanni, Mark Little and Irwin Barker.

The event is taking place April 21 to 24 at various venues around Halifax.

For ticket information, visit on the Internet at halifaxcomedyfest.ca.

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Feds want to chat with baseball player about Canadian doctor: Reports

6 Several media outlets are reporting U.S. federal investigators want to talk to New York Mets centre-fielder Carlos Beltran regarding Canadian doctor Anthony Galea, accused of selling an unapproved drug. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Bison play ecological role: Experts
For many, bison might not be much more than the source of a tasty burger, and
the idea of them running wild confined strictly to the past. But scientists from across the continent argue that the massive mammals have a role to play in Canada's future as well. Cormack Gates, a University of Calgary professor, says wild bison could have an important ecological niche. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Crime bills may flop in House of Commons

POLITICS The Conservative government may have won control of key committees after it prorogued Parliament, but that won't guarantee control of crime legislation when the House of Commons returns today.

The opposition parties are offering no guarantees that more than a dozen law-and-order bills that died with prorogation will be automatically resuscitated and fast-tracked.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's shutting down of Parliament in late December killed the bills, some of which had already been debated in the Commons.

Ending the parliamentary session early allowed Harper time to appoint more

Conservative senators and win control of key Senate committees that had held up his government's crime bills

Polls have shown that tougher crime legislation is popular with voters, particularly women living in suburban ridings who commute to downtown areas. Those women are a key demographic target for Conservative strategists.

In the meantime, criminologists almost unanimously agree that most crime is decreasing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Kenney blocked gay rights in citizenship guide: Docs

Immigration Minister Jason Kenney blocked any reference to gay rights in a new study guide for immigrants applying for Canadi-an citizenship, The Canadian Press has learned.

Internal documents show an early draft of the guide contained sections noting that homosexuality was decriminalized in 1969; that the Charter of Rights and Freedoms forbids discrimination based on sexual orientation; and that same-sex marriage was legalized nationally in 2005.

But Kenney, who fought

same-sex marriage when it was debated in Parliament. ordered those key sections removed when his office sent its comments to the department last June.

Senior department officials duly cut out the material — but made a last-ditch plea with Kenney in early August to have it reinstated.

"Recommend the re-insertion of the text boxes related to ... the decriminalization of homosexual sex/recognition of same-sex marriage," says a memoranto Kenney deputy minister Neil Yeates.

Recommend the addition of 'equality rights' under list of rights. Had noted earlier that this bullet should be reinserted into the list as a means of noting the equality of all based on race, gender, sexual orienta-

In the end, however, Kenney's view trumped that of the bureaucrats. The 63page guide, released with fanfare last November, contains no mention of gay and lesbian rights.

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Hybrid hype? As more models roll out, experts agree the gas engine will continue to dominate. Scan this code for the story.

Wind brings seal newborns ashore

ANIMALS There were thousands of unexpected visitors on New Brunswick's north shore yesterday - a huge herd of seals. An onshore wind packed the shoreline in Dalhousie with ice pans covered with seals, including hundreds of newborn pups. "Every-where you looked you would see a female seal with one of her little pups," Nicole Landry-Berube, an employee at Dalhousie town hall, said. "It was quite something to see and also to hear because the little pups were crying for their moms." she said.

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Victoria Back to reality for B.C.



Protesters carry a coffin meant to represent the social welfare system as they march outside the British Columbia legislature before B.C. Finance Minister Colin Hansen tabled the provincial budget in Victoria yesterday.

Teen who got cousin pregnant sentenced

COURTS A 19-year-old northern Ontario man who got his 13-year-old cousin pregnant has been handed a jail sentence in a case the Crown prosecutor called one of the hardest she's dealt with.

In an interview from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Crown lawyer Nancy Komsa called the situation sad.

"It's a very difficult situation — it's probably one of the worst sentencings I've done," Komsa said yester-

day.
"She's pregnant and he's in jail; I don't know if that's a situation that either of them planned or hoped for.

The older teen was convicted yesterday of sexual assault after court heard the cousins had sex 47 times over a two-month span last fall. He also pleaded guilty to charges of sexual interference and invitation to sexual touching, both of which were

Court heard the girl willingly had sex with the

"She's pregnant and he's in jail; I don't know if that's a situation that either of them planned or hoped for." Nancy Kosma,

Crown lawyer

man, whom she considered her boyfriend.

It's not clear how the girl now views her situation. She chose not to file a victim-impact statement.

While no coercion was involved, the law does not allow the girl to have consented to the sexual relationship.

"She's 13 years old. She's now planning the birth of her child. She was a naive person who was put under his influence to some extent," Komsa said.

Defence lawyer Eric Mc-Cooeye was not immediately available to comment. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Fatwa against bombing issued

RELIGION A former Pakistani legislator who lives in Canada and leads a global Muslim movement has issued a fatwa, or religious edict, condemning terror-

Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri says the fatwa bans suicide bombing "without any excuses, any pretexts,

or exceptions." He is the founder of Minhaj-ul-Qur'an, which promotes a non-political, tolerant Islam.

A spokesman for the group told The Canadian Press that Tahir-ul-Qadri has been living in southern Ontario for almost four THE CANADIAN PRESS years.

The return of Parliament today offers a series of confidence votes, but new polling data suggests that neither the Tories nor the Liberals would want to hazard a quick trip to the voting booths. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Quebec facing rights suit in veil controversy

A Muslim student who was kicked out of a Quebec classroom for wearing a religious face-covering has accused the provincial government of trampling on her human rights.

She has filed a complaint with the Quebec Human Rights Commission. But the government is sticking by its guns.

A spokesman for the province's immigration minister says the woman could have stayed in the French class had she agreed to remove her niqab for certain exercises.

The woman's teachers say the garment kept her from improving her enunciation and other language skills.

The school reportedly asked the government to intervene after it spent months trying to accommodate her religious beliefs.

Among other things, the school allowed her to give oral presentations with her back facing the class.

The government move is earning some plaudits, even from moderate Muslim groups.

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N.B. minister urges feds not to cut equalization in tomorrow's budget

NEW BRUNSWICK New Brunswick's finance minister says it's imperative there be no cuts to equalization in this week's federal budget.

Greg Byrne said equalization and transfers make up about 25 per cent of his budget, so it's critical the funds continue to flow. Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty will table his budget in Ottawa tomorrow. "The federal minister has reassured me previously that they would not be balancing the books on the backs of the provinces ... we are hopeful that they will not cut equalization," Byrne said yesterday.

said yesterday.

He hopes Flaherty will continue funding programs such as the home renovation tax credit to help provide jobs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Moncton Missing woman



Donna O'Rielly, 54, with no known health problems, is shown with her grandchildren Evan, left, and Grace Streek in a family handout photo. O'Rielly has been missing since leaving work at a local Moncton mall Saturday. Her family told the RCMP she wouldn't go away without notifying anyone. Her car was found still parked at Highfield Square where she worked.

News in brief

OTTAWA The federal government plans to hold a national commemorative ceremony April 9 to honour Canadians who served in the First World War now that the country's last-known veteran — John Henry Foster (Jack) Babcock — has died. Babcock died

Feb. 18 at the age of 109 in Spokane, Wash., where he moved after the war. The ceremony at the National War Memorial in Ottawa is one of several events to be held countrywide on the anniversary of the day in 1917 when Canadians famously took Vimy Ridge in France. Babcock was acknowledged to be the last of 650,000 Canadian men and women who served in what was then known as the "war to end all wars." About 68,000 of them died between 1914 and 1917.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Police arrest teens allegedly posing as cops

MONTREAL A pair of teenage boys who allegedly passed themselves off as police officers to rob motorists, wound up receiving an unwanted visitor: The real police.

The pair of 18-year-olds now face a host of charges, including impersonating a police officer, extortion, dangerous driving, uttering threats and theft.

Police say it's rare that someone would attempt such a brazen crime.

Still, they're urging people to ask for ID whenever anyone without a uniform approaches them, claiming to be a cop.

For the past two weeks, the two Montreal men allegedly pretended to be plainclothes policemen, stopping vehicles, and in one case, extorting money from the victim in exchange for saying they wouldn't tow his car.

Some people were also allegedly robbed of personal items after being approached by the youth.

Police say they received complaints about the alleged fraud, tracked the suspects down, and made the arrests.

They say the majority of the reported crimes took place in Montreal's east-

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Group challenges L.A. crackdown on pot clinics

A lawsuit filed yesterday by the largest medical marijuana advocacy group in the U.S. challenges the Los Angeles' crackdown on medical marijuana dispensaries, claiming it would force nearly all of them to close. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World



Sea lions return to San Francisco

Sea lions are returning to San Francisco's Pier 39 after an abrupt disappearance that left tourists disappointed and experts baffled. Marine experts say the animals come and go regularly, leaving in the fall to breed and give birth to their young in the Channel Islands. The large numbers like the 1,700 seen in November — and their sudden departure — were unusual but not worrisome. They were probably looking for food.

Going back in history

Scholars to analyze Irish slaughter from 1640s

One of the most divisive and hotly disputed events in Irish history — the 1641 killings of thousands of Protestant settlers by Catholic natives — is to be examined in forensic detail for the first time, researchers said vesterday.

The scale of the bloodshed left communal scars for centuries. Protestants cited it as their basis for fearing and oppressing the natives, while Catholics insisted the historical record was grossly exaggerated to justify subsequent British repression in Ireland.

Now, scholars from Aberdeen University in Scotland and Trinity College Dublin will analyze and seek patterns in 20,000 pages of statements from 4,000 witnesses.

Paisley retires

• Ian Paisley, the hard-line Northern Ireland evangelist who led Protestants into power-sharing with Catholics, announced yesterday he will retire from the British Parliament after a 40-year career.

The 1642-1655 documents, stored in Trinity's historical archives since the 1740s, have been converted over the past two years into digital form. Researchers now plan to dissect the language used and references to assailants, with the goal of separating truth from fiction and facts from artistic license.

The lead researcher, Aberdeen language and lin-

guistics expert Barbara Farrell, said the scale of the 1641 slaughter was cited as justification for when the English army of Oliver Cromwell invaded Ireland in the 1650s and killed natives without mercy.

English parliamentary documents of the time claimed more than 200,000 Protestants had been killed but Farrell said the most reliable estimate today is that at least 4,000 died.

Farrell said the research would determine whether survivor accounts written down by Cromwell's fact-finders were accurate, exaggerated or outright lies. She expressed confidence in finding evidence of the "manipulation" of some figures and events.

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Chile Chaos in wake of deadly quake



A police officer aims his gun at people looting goods from a damaged store in Talcahuano, Chile, yesterday. Saturday's magnitude-8.8 quake killed more than 700 people. Field hospitals and generators are among aid that Chile has requested from Canada. Scan this code or go to metronews.ca/world for the story.



News in brief

WASHINGTON The U.S.

Supreme Court appeared willing yesterday to say that the U.S. Constitution's right to possess guns limits state and local regulation of firearms. But the justices also suggested that some gun control measures might not be affected. At the

very least, the argument suggested that courts could be very busy in the years ahead determining precisely which gun laws are allowed under the Constitution's Second Amendment "right to keep and bear arms," and which must be stricken. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Authorities bust cyber-theft virus ring

SPAIN Authorities have smashed one of the world's biggest networks of virus-infected computers, a data vacuum that stole credit cards and online banking credentials from as many as 12.7 million poisoned PCs.

The "botnet" of infected computers included PCs inside more than half of the Fortune 1,000 companies and more than 40 major banks, according to investigators.

Spanish investigators, working with private computer-security firms, have arrested the three alleged ringleaders of the so-called

Botnets: Networks of infected PCs

 Botnets are networks of infected PCs that have been hijacked from their owners, often without their knowledge, and put into the control of

Mariposa botnet, which appeared in December 2008 and grew into one of the biggest weapons of cybercrime.

More arrests are expected soon in other countries.

The arrests are significant because the masterminds behind the biggest botnets aren't often taken down. And the story of inmachines supply an enormous amount of computing power to spammers, identity thieves, and Internet attackers.

criminals. Linked together, the

vestigators' hunt for them offers a rare glimpse at the tactics used to trace the origin of computer crimes.

Also, the suspects go

against the stereotype of genius programmers often associated with cyber crime. The suspects weren't brilliant hackers but had underworld contacts who helped them build and operate the botnet, Cesar Lorenza, a captain with Spain's Guardia Civil, which is investigating the case, told The Associated Press.

"They're not like these people are from the Russian mafia or Eastern European mafia who like to have sports cars and good watches and good suits — the most frightening thing is they are normal people who are earning a lot of money with cybercrime," Lorenza said.

The three suspects were described as Spanish citizens with no criminal records. The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Germany Perfect potatoes?



Andreas Heise of the German company BASF presents a handful of genetically manipulated potatoes. The European Commission yesterday authorized the cultivation of the potatoes, the first such green light for 12 years.

Germany overturns phone data law

BERLIN Germany's highest court yesterday overturned a law allowing authorities to retain data on telephone calls and email traffic for help in tracking criminal networks.

A law ordering data on calls and email exchanges be retained for six months for possible use by criminal authorities violated Germans' constitutional right to private correspondence and must be revised, the Federal Constitutional Court ruled.

In its ruling, the court said the law failed to suffi-

ciently balance the need for personal privacy against that for providing security, although it did not rule out data retention in principle.

"The disputed instructions neither provided a sufficient level of data security, nor sufficiently limited the possible uses of the data," the court said.

Nearly 35,000 Germans had appealed to the court to overturn the law, which stems from a 2006 European Union anti-terrorism directive requiring telecommunications companies to retain phone data and Internet logs for a minimum of six months in case they are needed for criminal investigations.

The court upheld the EU directive, saying the problem lay instead with how the German parliament chose to interpret it.

Under the German law, which went into effect Jan. 2008, information about all calls from mobile or landline phones was retained for six months, including who called whom, from where and for how long.

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Parishioners asked to help pay

IRELAND A Catholic diocese at the centre of Ireland's child-abuse scandals is asking parishioners to help cover some of its \$14 million US in costs for paying victims and fighting legal battles. The Fern diocese's chief financial officer, Eugene Doyle, said yesterday that the church had no option but to ask the faithful to help foot the bill. He estimated that the diocese's 100,000 members in 80 parishes would be asked to contribute \$85,000 annually for the next 20 years.

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A new golden age for Canadians



uch is being made Canada's gold record Olympics: 14 gold, the most ever.

Quite an accomplishment, but we should check the math: The final more like is 34,019,726 gold, one for every single Canadian.

Neil Young, who haunt-ed Sunday's closing ceremonies like a ghost from Winnipeg, sang Long May You Run, which was nice, if the wrong Olympic season, but he could have really hit the target with Heart Of Gold, a more evocative — and accurate – celebration of the New Canadian Attitude (trademark registered).

It was born on the streets of Vancouver, as thousands lined up for hours for a chance to buy Olympic gear branded Canada, no matter that it was made in China. The new 'tude burst free on

the final day when Team Canada wrote the mother of all happy endings in the gold-medal hockey game.

The Canuck genie is out of the bottle and with any luck it won't look around. come to its senses and crawl back into the bottle with a meek little apology.

Somehow, over the last two weeks, the people took over from the nattering negativists of the media (your friendly columincluded). nist and stopped the complaining. So what if it rains all the time or it's crowded or the stupid hydraulic arm doesn't work and the Games cost more money than the



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GDP of Uzbekistan, etc. We rock. Ion Montgomery rocks. Joannie Rochette Nickelback rocks. rocks. Canada rocks.

For me, the New Canadian Attitude came out loud and proud in that ridiculous Michael Bublé-Busby Berkeley production number with the giant inflatable beavers and flying moose that capped the closing ceremonies. What a magnificent combination of hoser humour, uncharacteristic excess, un-

bridled goodwill and Molson-induced pride. You want Canada? You got it!

Want Canada? You got It!
Here's the thing. The
Games are over and the
guests have gone home:
How long will the golden
grins last? How long before the negativists, who have been lurking patiently in the dark shadows, reemerge, fingers wagging, hands wringing, scolding us to remember all the things that pull us apart?

This coming of age thing is interesting, especially how it goes down elsewhere. The British media are furiously trying to stuff us back into the bottle, complaining about an un-

seemly display of national jingoism from a country that once knew its place. American cousins, however, are extending a hand across the border Welcome to the world. kid. You're looking good.

And now, as goalie Roberto Luongo said at the end of the greatest game ever: "It doesn't matter what they say. I've got the gold around my They can't take that away from me."

Or me. Or you.

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Word on the street: On a scale of one to 10, how would you rate the Vancouver Olympics?

Ella **Carter** Spryfield

A: A nine. They've job. The only downfall was the weather wasn't up to par.

Alan **Dixon**

A: Ten. It was awehockey game.

Sarah **Eyland**

A: I'd give it an eight. It's really good exposure for Canada, but eco-nomically it's a little bit iffy. There was too much money spent on it, especially when you consider the homelessness that's in

Adam Gesser

A: Ten. The cover age is great. The energy is different when the Olympics

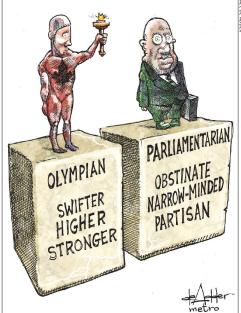
Sulhee Kim Vancouver

A: Nine. (Vancouver) is a very quiet city, but during the Olympics people had patience and lots of enthusiasm, so many people in streets high-fiving.

Paul Chao

A: The Vancouve Olympics is defi-nitely an easy 10. There's only been a handful of times where an event has united a country the 2010 Olympics did. Hopefully, now the world will stop thinking we are friendly beer-drinkialoo-livina hockey players — although that doesn't sound too bad.





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Canadian literacy organization changes name After two decades in existence, a name change and new strategic plan marked the beginning of another era yesterday for the ABC Canada Literacy Foundation. Henceforth, it will be known as ABC Life Literacy Canada, the non-profit organization announced. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Geneva Motor Show The future is here

Central bank keeps rates low for now

The Bank of Canada is keeping interest rates at historic lows for a few more months, while sending out signals that the economy is rebounding strongly and could trigger inflationary pressures.

The central bank's more positive take on the economy followed a Statistics Canada report Monday of a surprising five per cent growth spurt in the fourth quarter of 2009 and sent a strong loonie even higher.

"The level of economic activity in Canada has been slightly higher than the bank had projected in January," the bank said yesterday morning before markets opened.

"The economy grew at an annual rate of five per cent in the fourth quarter of 2009, spurred by vigorous domestic spending and further recovery in ex-

"Slightly higher" may be an understatement, as the bank had projected growth of only 3.3 per cent for the last three months of 2009.

The bank also noted that 'core inflation" has been slightly firmer than projected, although it added

Wait till July

Most economists agree Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney is unlikely to act on interest rates until July, noting that yesterday's announcement repeats the conditional commitment to keep rates at the historic low until the third quarter.

that some of the price increases were due to transitory factors.

The governing council continued to reiterate that despite the improved conditions, they would likely leave the overnight rate where it has been since last spring — at 0.25 per cent — until at least July. But some economists weren't buying it and the

reaction of money markets suggested that there may be some pressure on gover-nor Mark Carney to move on interest rates ahead of schedule.

"They are getting ready to take away the punch bowl," said Derek Holt, vice-president of economics with Scotia Capital. "I think they are priming the markets for a second-quarter hike." the canadian press

Hilton ad too hot for Brazil

Switzerland, yesterday. About 250 exhibitors from 30 countries are showing 100 car premieres at

the auto show until March 14. More than 60 models were developed to use energies other than

Citroen's futuristic concept e-car Survolt is displayed at the Geneva Motor Show in Geneva,

ADVERTISING It's confirmed: Paris Hilton is too hot for

A sultry beer ad featuring the socialite has been pulled after consumer complaints and a watchdog agency's investigation.

The television and Internet ad featured Hilton in a short black dress preening and rubbing a can of Devassa beer on herself, all to the delight of onlookers watching through her win-

Brewer Schincariol said in a statement yesterday it will defend the commercial, but is pulling it in the meantime.

An ad watchdog group, Conar, asked last week that the ad be removed, noting that regulations don't permit a beer commercial to treat women as overtly sensual objects. Brazil's Secretariat for Women's Affairs also said ______ it had re-

ceived complaints about the ad Many Brazilian beer ads feature

women in

Paris Hilton

bikinis but in the context of a beach setting, where such

clothing is expected.
"The problem with the ad isn't a lack of clothing, but its sensual nature," Eduardo Correia, a Conar spokesman, told The Associated Press last week

Devassa is one of many beverages made by Grupo Schincariol.



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tured an Internet campaign with Hilton wearing lingerie and high heels, and supermarket displays featured Hilton in the short, black dress.

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Number of women in board positions not changing: Study

EMPLOYMENT The number of women in board positions in Canada has remained stagnant for several years, with the greatest dearth reported at public companies, according to a new study.

"This is really an issue of the recruitment of the very best talent available for board service in Canada," said Deborah Gillis, vicepresident, North America, Catalyst.

'We need to move beyond the standard networks to look at a broader pool of candidates and really focus on a competen-cy-based model," she said.

The study, Catalyst Census: Financial Post 500 Women Board Directors, shows that last year only

Ontario

• In Ontario, women hold 14.4 per cent of the 1,630 board seats at 198 companies, close to the national av-

14 per cent of board positions in Canada were held by women, up one per cent since 2007 and two per cent from 2005.

In 2009, public companies reported 10.3 per cent of board positions were held by women, compared to 16 per cent at private companies. Crown Corporations reported women holding 29.1 per cent of board positions and are really "driving" diversity initiatives, said Gillis.

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Business in brief

LAYOFFS IBM Corp. cut more than 1,500 jobs across a number of divisions Monday, a sliver of the technology company's nearly 400,000 workers worldwide. IBM wouldn't comment. Documents submitted by laid-off workers to the Alliance@IBM, a labour union representing a small percentage of IBM employees, indicate that at least 1,518 jobs were cut. It's not known where the positions were located. IBM, which is based in Armonk, N.Y., generally doesn't release details of its iob cuts.

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More people took to the air globally in January, says IATA

TRAVEL Global demand for air travel continued to show signs of improvement as passenger demand increased by 6.4 per cent in January, the International Air Transport Association said yesterday.

The annual increase in demand came as capacity grew by 1.2 per cent and planes flew nearly 76 per cent full, up from 72.2 per cent a year earlier.

January's large increase in passenger demand compared to a period in early 2009 that sustained a precipitous fall. Seasonally adjusted demand was just 0.5 per cent higher than December 2009.

The strongest improvements in demand came in Asia, Latin America and the Middle East, where the economic recovery been the strongest.

North American airlines saw demand increase by 2.1 per cent in January.

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Maligned Toyotas hot sellers in Canada

AUTOS Toyota Canada's February sales were up more than 25 per cent from a year earlier, suggesting a massive worldwide recall had not significantly affected the brand's popular-

ity in this country.
The company said yesterday it sold 12,693 vehicles last month, including 902 Lexus luxury vehicles. Lexus sales were up 26.2 per cent to

their best Recall Toyota has

recalled 8.5

million vehi-

problems

involving gas

cles worldwide

recently to deal

February ever, while sales of Toyota-brand vehicles were up 25.2 per

cent. Several models that pedals, floor were inmats and volved in a brakes, some recall of of which have 270,000 ve- been linked to hicles

sales.

in fatal accidents. Canada due to sticky accelerator pedals including the Corolla, Matrix and RAV4 — reported their highest-ever February sales. The Prius, which was involved in a separate voluntary recall over its braking system, also set a record for February

Meanwhile, Ford Canada said it beat out rival General Motors to sell the most vehicles in Canada last month. The company said its sales jumped by 51 per cent year over year to 17,920, marking the automaker's ninth consecutive month of sales improvements and 16th consecutive month of marketshare gains.

Honda Canada said it sold 8,917 vehicles in February, up 27 per cent compared to a year earlier. Sales of Honda-brand vehicles were up 33 per cent while sales of Acura luxury vehicles were down 13 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Pro Bowl will take place before Super Bowl next year

The Pro Bowl will be played before the Super Bowl when it returns to Honolulu next year. The Hawaii Tourism Authority and the NFL announced yesterday that the game will be played at Aloha Stadium Jan. 30, the Sunday before the Super Bowl. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS 11

Sports



Fergus likely out of lineup

Knotek doesn't know what the future holds



If Tomas Knotek returns to the Halifax Mooseheads next season, he would probably win his third straight team MVP award. But where the 19-year-

old captain from Kladno, Czech Republic, ends up is anybody's guess at this point.

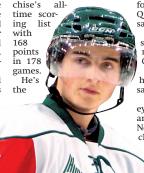
The Mooseheads, who are permitted to have two Europeans on their roster, could have a pick as high as fourth overall in the Canadian Hockey League import draft in June. And since they're building for 2011-12, when Knotek will no longer be in the QMJHL, they may have to go in another direction.

Mooseheads manager Cam Russell is unlikely to part with 17-year-old German year-old Germ blue-liner Konrad Abeltshauser, who already logs 25 minutes a night, and could target high-end

European — a couple of years younger than Knotek
— in the import draft.

"I have no idea," said Knotek, when asked what his future holds. "I know the Mooseheads have a high Euro pick and they will go for the Memorial Cup in two years, and I won't be a part of that anyway. I'll have to talk to Cam. We'll see."

The six-foot-one, 172-pound centre leads the Mooseheads in scoring with 53 points in 57 games and sits 11th on the fran-



one of its hardest workers. setting a good example for

his younger teammates.
"I was happy to lead
those young guys," Knotek
said. "I was trying my best

Although he hasn't been drafted, he has earned tryouts with the Minnesota Wild the past two seasons and is hoping to earn an-other look from an NHL team.

Knotek said "it's a hard question to answer right now" on whether he'd play for another team in the QMJHL next season but

said he'd "rather play pro."

The only thing he seemed sure about was not returning to the Czech Republic.

"I don't want to go home, that's for sure," he said.
"I don't think the hock-

ey's good enough there and I really like it here (in North America). If I (get) a chance with (an) NHL team, I'll obviously fight for it. But that's ahead

and we'll see."

Tomas Knotek

Miller gets louder ovation than Crosby

NHL Buffalo Sabres goal-tender Ryan Miller retender Ryan Miller re-ceived a standing ovation in Pittsburgh last night for leading the United States to an Olympic silver medal
— cheers louder than those given the Penguins' own Sidney Crosby.

Crosby beat Miller to

score the game-winning goal in overtime Sunday as Canada defeated the Unit-ed States 3-2 for the gold medal in Vancouver.

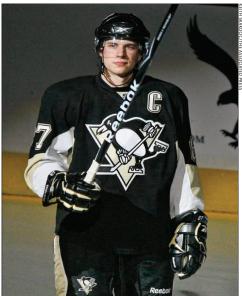
Despite being on the losing team, Miller was chosen as the tournament

Olympians for teams were introduced before the game, with Miller drawing the loudest and most sustained cheering.

Crosby also was given a standing ovation, but it was less enthusiastic than Miller's despite his vast popularity in Pittsburgh.

"It was a good tourna-ment," Miller said before the game, which Pitts-burgh eventually won, 3-2. "Hopefully, it made some hockey fans here in the United States."

Some Penguins fans admittedly were conflicted, enthused by the United States' successful tournament, but too loyal to Crosby to boo the player who



Pittsburgh's Sidney Crosby, of Cole Harbour, acknowledges the crowd last night during a ceremony for the Olympic medal winners before the Penguins' game against the Sabres in Pittsburgh

led Pittsburgh to the Stan-

ley Cup last spring.
"I'll leave it up to other people to decide, but for me it was a pretty proud moment," Crosby said.

Miller sat out of the

game after playing five of six games for the U.S. in Vancouver. Crosby was in the Penguins' lineup and assisted on a first-period goal by Sergei Gonchar.

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Martin to appear at Brier CURLING Kevin Martin is

bringing his Olympic gold to Halifax.

The Alberta skip, who achieved men's curling supremacy at the Vancouver Games on the weekend, will be in town



Kevin Martin Hebert to

launch the Tim Hortons Brier at the Metro Centre

Although the four-time Brier winner is not competing at the national event because his Olympic training didn't permit his participation in Alberta's provincials, he will hold an autograph session Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the concourse level at the Metro Centre.

The Brier opens Saturday and runs until March 14. METRO HALIFAX

X-Men sweep detending champion V-Reds

AUS HOCKEY The St. Francis Xavier X-Men have done the unthinkable. The fifth-seeded X-Men

completed a three-game sweep of the defending national champion and top-seeded New Brunswick Varsity Reds in the Atlantic University Sport best-of-five semifi-nal, earning their third straight 3-2 triumph last night in Antigonish.

Phil Mangan snapped a

2-2 tie with 4:50 remaining in the third period afthe V-Reds rallied from a 2-0 deficit in the final frame. The X-Men were outshot

for the third straight game, 33-23, but received a 31-save effort from Lantz's Bryan Gillis.

The V-Reds seemed unbeatable a month ago, when they won 26 straight games. But that's when they ran into the X-

Men, who beat them Feb. 12 to spoil their perfect regular season.

Although the V-Reds finished in the AUS record books with a 27-1 campaign, the X-Men continued to have their number in the post-season.

The X-Men will face the winner of the Saint Mary's-Acadia semifinal in the best-of-five championship series.

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Sports in brief

NHL Ray Emery's second chance in the NHL ended prematurely. The Philadelphia Flyers goalie needs surgery to repair his right hip and will miss the rest of the season.

SEBALL A person familiar with the negotiations tells The Associated Press that the Arizona Diamondbacks and voung all-star outfielder Justin Upton are closing in on a sixvear contract. The deal would be worth just more than \$50 million US, the person said

yesterday, speaking on condition of anonymity because the contract has not been finalized. METRO NEWS SERVICES



shrugs off questions about his upcoming sentencing on gun charges.

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LeBron seeks to change his number

LeBron James has filed paperwork with the NBA to change his uniform number next season to No. 6 from No. 23, the league confirmed yesterday. James said earlier this season he would be willing to give up No. 23 in an effort to have the NBA retire it in honour of Michael Jordan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

With deadline day upon them, players brace for change

Aaron Ward is pretty sure something is going to happen. The veteran Carolina Hurricanes defenceman is not sure what that will mean, or where he will land when the NHL trade deadline tolls, but he and his wife of 15 years have been preparing for the worst.

A trade. "I think this is a poor analogy, but it's like going to the chair," Ward said. "It's more or less inevitable. When you have veteran players in the locker room and they can help another team, it's something that ends up happening and you accept it as part of the game."

The 37-year-old was one of several Carolina players believed to be available heading toward today's 4 p.m. deadline.

General managers seemed to maintain a low profile on yesterday afternoon, executing a handful of small deals around the



"I think this is a poor analogy, but it's like going to the chair." Hurricanes blue-liner Aaron Ward on being traded

league, but there were also strains of a symphony orchestra warming up before a performance.

There was a confirmed report in St. Louis that Blues forward Brad Boyes had been placed on the

trading block, Carolina forrading block. Carolina for-ward Ray Whitney and Toronto winger Alexei Ponikarovsky have long been rumoured to be on the move, and their names have been joined by a chorus of published reports

and online speculation. One report suggested the Nashville Predators had turned away as many as three offers for defenceman Dan Hamhuis. One of the teams interested in the pending unrestricted free agent was said to be the Philadelphia Flyers, who may also be in the market for a goaltender after announcing Ray Emery will be shut down for the season to undergo hip surgery.

Only one deal of any con-

sequence was completed during the daylight hours yesterday, with word the Ottawa Senators had acquired defenceman Andy Sutton from the New York Is-landers for a second round selection in the NHL draft this year.

Just before 8 p.m. the Anaheim Ducks announced they had shipped Nick Boynton to the Chicago Blackhawks for future considerations.

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The Ontario government announced last Friday more than \$20.8 million in grants from the Ontario Research Fund for six University of Waterloo-led research projects, which involve electrical and computer engineering and mechanical and mechatronics engineering. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Workology

Retired prof donates \$12M to uSask

Last Friday, University of Saskatchewan professor emeritus Karim (Kay) Nasser announced a \$12-million donation in the form of real estate to the university, making it the largest gift uSask has ever received. The value of the donation will be channelled into student awards, two new campus buildings, the college of engineering, and the business school, which is moving to downtown Saskatoon with the help of a previous donation.

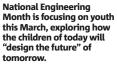
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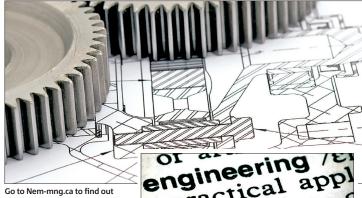
Metro Workology is focusing on careers and education in the engineering sector for the month of March to celebrate National Engineering Month. Check back every Wednesday.

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"Engineering is a draw for young people simply due to the fact that there are so many things that one can do and achieve as an engineer," NEM's chief executive officer Chantal Guay said in an email interview. "Young people are generally enthusiastic and full of life, having a desire to con-tribute and make a difference in the world."

Events across Canada will target kids aged eight to 14, showing them how modern engineering offers careers in software, civil engineering, mechanical engineeragriculture



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forestry. Guay said good grades in high school math and science are important, but engineering also requires creativity, imagination and communication

"Not only are engineers contributing to the well-being of society and the public's quality of life, we are part of the solution to the challenges facing the country," Guay added. "Our work goes a long way to ensure that, for instance, the public is provided with sustainable infrastructure and has the adequate technologies and the means to adapt to climate change."

Engineers can also swing

into action to provide much-needed help when disasters strike, such as the earthquake January Haiti, or the more recent earthquake in Chile.

"Engineers' work shapes the way we live, work and play, and students can see what they can do in the ex-citing world of engineering by participating in National Engineering Month activities," Guay said.

Bruce Dunwoody, associate dean for engineering programs at the University of British Columbia, said young people drawn to engineering are strong in math and science and want to physically do something that makes a difference.

"They feel that through

practical engineering they can have an impact on the world and help other people," he said. pointed to Engineers Without Borders and a student who spent his summer in Africa teaching villagers how to maintain earthen dams. Others have developed and install a "multifunctional platform," diesel engine that can work as a water pump or flour grinder in poorer villages.

'We see students who are keen on the environmental side, but we also see students who are drawn to mechanical engineering — the ships and planes and cars," Dunwoody said. "There's a lot of potential, a lot of flexibility and a lot of challenges in the job.

In the Den and life, the risk averse rarely succeed



rett Wilson has handed out millions of dollars on Dragons' Den. The Saskatchewan

born entrepreneur made a fortune in the oil and gas business, starting his own Calgary-based investment firm back in the '90s. And now he's become the dealmaking king on the CBC reality show, where cash-hungry entrepreneurs pitch for investment money

But Brett's willingness to take a chance on people has earned him ridicule at times from the other Dragons, who appear to believe Brett is a softie in terms of needing a solid financial return on his investments.

"Sounds like a deal for Brett," one of the other Dragons will sometimes snicker, when faced with a weak pitcher.

I think Brett is a softie in a good way!

"I get a return in my heart when I'm able to help someone step up their life, he told me, talking about the happiness he's seen on people's faces when he's delivered a cheque made out to their business venture.

But there's more to Brett Wilson than heart. This son

of a car salesman didn't get a mansion, a jet-setting lifestyle and the ability to play in any industry he wants by being soft in the head. Brett has the guts to play the odds.

"I know I don't have to pick a winner every time,' he says. "I know that out of 20 investments, 17 or 18 may not pay off. Two or three may carry the weight of all of them. And I'm quite comfortable with that.

He makes sense. Even in our own working live, we all know that we can't count on 100 per cent success in everything we do. And no one ever got ahead by playing it safe every step of the way. We have to take chance sometimes. stretch ourselves a bit hoping there's someone like Brett around, who is willing to look at the posi-

He's done that with his hiring policies also, saying he's willing to give good people a second chance once deciding to employ someone who was fresh out of rehab for cocaine.

"I'm not afraid of people who've made a mistake, says Brett. "They have likely learned from it.

Maybe it's because he's been given the benefit of the doubt too at times.

"Certainly in my first job, they took a chance on me,

Dianne Buckner is the host of Dragons' Den and the weekend anchor on the CBC News Network. Watch Dragons' Den at 8 p.m. tonight on CBC.



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2010's best of the best Metro Drive Consumer Reports has named its Top Picks for 2010, the best all-around models in their categories based on performance, reliability and safety. The Lexus LS 460L won best car overall METRO NEWS SERVICES

Bimmer pushes performance

PETER BLEAKNEY for Metro Canada

BMW is launching a higher performance version of the 2011 335i Coupe and Convertible, dubbed the 335is, in Canada and the US only. Huh? Usually the Europeans get all the fun stuff, so what's up?

Apparently North Americans buy a much higher percentage of hi-performance 3 Series (335i and M3) than Europeans, and since many here have their cars modified, a factory tuner version of the 335i was a viable consideration.

The current BMW 3 Series, which was launched as a 2006 model, sees a refresh for 2011, getting a new hood and fascia, recon-

toured grill, headlights with LED "corona rings" and eyebrows, reshaped side sills and LED taillights. You'll know the hotter 335is model by its black kidney grills, aggressive M Sport fascia, side skirts, high-gloss black mirrors and 5-spoke ferric grey 18" alloys.

Power is up 20 horses to 320 and torque jumps from 300 to 332 lb.-ft., available from 1500 to 5000 r.p.m. There is an additional seven second overboost of 370 lb.ft. should your Reebok hit the firewall.

A few hours of track time at the famed Estoril racetrack in Portugal proved the 335is Coupe to be exceptionally well balanced, communicative and very swift. Where this power comes from makes for an interest-



ing and slightly convoluted

All 2011 335i models, save this "is" version, will get BMW's new 3.0L single

turbocharged twin-scroll 300 hp straight-six with the trick throttle-less Valvetronic induction system. Because the "old" twin-turbo 3.0L engine (which makes exactly the same horsepower and torque) was more according to tune-able BMW, it continues its tour

2011 BMW 335is

Type: Sports coupe convertible Price: Not available Engine: 3.0L single twin turbo

Highlights

- More powerful that regular 3 Series i models
- Aggressive, stylish looks

of duty here with enhanced mojo - mostly achieved via an increase in boost

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Cancun re-claims spring break crown

Lower priced all-inclusive options driving 2010 recovery for gutted Mexican tourism industry

Mexico's spring break king - Cancun — is rebounding quickly from last year's triple blow to its tourism industry caused by the country's swine flu epidemic. drua violence and a global economic crisis.

Those worries couldn't compete this year against Mexico's cheap airfare from the United States and Canada and phenomenal package deals that include popular all-you-can-drink enticements.

February saw 85 per cent of its 28,000 rooms filled, a sign of Cancun's speedy re-covery from 2009, when one million fewer visitors came than in a typical year. The relatively high occupancy seen in February is expected to go even higher in March when more universities are on spring break. "We're back to normal levels after having seen tourism practically paralyzed last year," said Quintana Roo state assistant tourism secretary Dario Flota.

At the sprawling, palm-tree packed Oasis Hotel, a popular spot with spring breakers, visitors from the U.S. Midwest and Canada looking to shake the chill from a usually brutal winter dotted the beach where some took photos with monkeys while others danced to music pumped out from gigantic speakers.

Emma Duranti, a 20year-old science major at Queens University Kingston, Ont., decided to come to Cancun after comparing it to Jamaica and finding a better deal.

Duranti said she paid \$1,040 for a seven-day, allinclusive trip.

"I was expecting a good par-Tourists ty but it went returning above and besaid vond." Duranti while sunbathing with two other friends on the beach of the Oasis Hotel

"There is always a party on the beach and you can party all day and party all

Tourism officials say they expect about 25,000 spring breakers to descend



Cancun is rebounding quickly from last year's triple blow to its tourism industry caused by the country's swine flu epidemic, drug violence and a global economic crisis.



• The federal, state and local governments have invested \$80 million to rebuild Cancun's powdery world-renowned white beaches that have been

suffering from erosion. • The rebuilding, which took a vear to complete, is the second attempt to rebuild the

sandy playground



Tourism experts expect 25,000 students from across North America to descend on Cancun this spring.

this season on Cancun's newly rebuilt beaches and turquoise blue ocean, compared to the 20,000 spring breakers who visited last

That's in addition to tourists of all ages who visit throughout the year. And not only is Cancun to Mexico drawing them back but destinations across the country are seeing tourists return, despite a U.S. travel alert warning Americans to stay away from some parts, mostly in the northern border states, because of drug violence.

Lonely Planet's U.S. staff's top 10 list for 2010 put Mexico as the No. 4

destination for the new year, declaring that "H1N1 is so 2009" and that Mexico is "still a good bargain, easy to get to for most Americans" — giving a much-needed endorsement for Mexico's third largest source of foreign income. Tourism all came to a halt in April 2009 when fear over the swine flu epidemic virtually paralyzed Mexico, forcing the closure of schools, restaurants and archaeological sites and restricted air travel to Mexico from some countries. Mexico's revenue from foreign tourism dropped 15 per cent to \$11.3 billion from \$13.3 billion in 2008, according to the Tourism Department.

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New Zealand wine thriving Lush landscape offers perfect backdrop for sipping Sauvignon

Some of the finest world's finest Sauvignon Blanc vines were literally stolen from France and used to establish New Zealand's now booming wine indus-

The French haven't forgotten and keep a wary eye on the antipodean up-start that now claims to make the best "savvy" in the world.

So when Lasked Brett Bermingham if his overfamiliar reference to great variety annoyed the French, his response, "why else would we do it?" was as predictable as the quality of the wine that he makes.

Brett is an assistant wine maker at Nautilus winery in Marlborough, South Island's Sauvignon Blanc heartland.

He learnt his trade at Cloudy Bay winery just down the road



before joining Nautilus five short years ago.

As Brett was showing me around the winerv on a balmy January morning, accompanied by what I can only describe as a "generous" tasting of pinot vintages, it was easy to imagine that the life of a wine maker was one of uninterrupted Baccanalian hedonism.

Not the case. Nautilus is as much the product of science and money — the firm having spent millions of dollars on automating the process with state-ofthe-art equipment for dejuicing, decanting, fermenting and storing and Brett is so obsessed with the science that during the

six-week harvesting window Brett sometimes charters a helicopter to sit over the vineyard and create a downdraft to disperse cold

But as Brett puts it, "It's not the technology or the clone, and it's not even our skill and hard work that is rattling the French. It's the Marlborough climate that makes our wines distinctive, and the French can't copy that.'



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Oscar winner Dustin Hoffman will star in David Milch's upcoming HBO series, Luck, according to Variety. Hoffman will play a highly intelligent man who's just been released from four years in prison and loves to gamble on horse racing. EW.COM

Johnny Depp, left, — who became a reluctant 1980s teen idol thanks to his role on 21 Jump Street — said he is interested in the idea of possibly making a cameo appearance in the planned Jump Street movie. EW.COM

Jump Street

Burton in Wonderland

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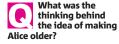
Twenty-five years after his first feature film (Peewee's Big Adventure) director Tim Burton has continued to defy categorization, delving into animation, comic books, musicals and ghost stories.

But one thing has remained constant: his focus on outsiders, from Pee-wee to Sweeney Todd to Batman to Beetleiuice. And in Disney's big-budget, 3-D Alice in Wonderland, Burton takes on one of literature's ultimate outsiders. Burton sat down with Metro to talk about growing pains, going 3-D and the eerie youthfulness of Pee-wee Herman.



What made you want to take on Alice in Wonderland?

All the other film versions always suffered from a similar problem: They were always very cold and about this precocious brat and a bunch of weird characters, and it always felt very distancing. And vet there's something about those characters that just stays in your subconscious. You look at Tom Petty videos and Jefferson Airplane and all these illustrators. It keeps coming up in other people's work.



The idea was setting her at this time in life when when you just don't feel right. You feel awkward. You don't

feel like an adult. It just felt really right from a psychological point of view.

How do you think Alice fits in with your history of outsider characters?

It's more internal and more quiet, but I understood her in the sense of feeling that awkwardness at that time of life. It's kind of sad, actually. You don't really fit one way or another. There's that melancholy, and I related to that. You don't have to be a boy or a girl to have those feelings. It's universal.



What brought about the decision to make this in 3-D?

It was presented to me. Disney said what about Alice in Wonderland in 3-D? The combination of the two, that hit me. It's not a gimmick. For me, it's just another element. You could do My Dinner with Andre in 3-D. It doesn't have to be in your face. It can be subtle. The medium is important. I held out for 10 years. Nightmare Before Christmas so it could be stop-motion. I could've done it in cell animation or other things, but that felt right. Ed Wood felt right to shoot in black and white. Because of the trippy nature of Alice and because of the spatial thing and how 3-D draws you into it, it just seemed to fit.



You keep coming back to work with Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter.

Courthouse fire delays sentencing of Lil Wayne

MUSIC Lil Wayne's already delayed jail term in a gun case abruptly got put off again yesterday because of a fire in the courthouse where he was due to be sentenced.

The midmorning blaze shut down a Lower Manhattan court for the day, postponing the rap star's court date among other proceedings, courts spokesman

David Bookstaver said.

It wasn't immediately clear when the sentencing — already put off two weeks because Lil Wayne needed dental surgery would be rescheduled. Defence lawyer Stacev Richman said the rapper was en route to New York for his 2:15 p.m. hearing when she learned of the court clos-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Director Tim Burton's 3-D Alice in Wonderland open on Friday.

I don't go out of my way to do that too much. With Johnny, we would never go, "Let's just work together to work

together." It's too important to try to do something good to do that. And I'd say the same with Helena. I wouldn't work with her

iust to work with, because actually it's harder. But you know, when she's right for something you want to give her the benefit of the doubt. And she's good. I enjoy her performance in this.

Pee-wee Herman's making a comeback. Any plans to do another movie together?

No, no. But it's funny. I remember when we were doing Pee-wee's Big Adventure how long ago was that? I remember very specifically he and I joking around about doing another movie in 20 or 30 years. He looks exactly like he did when he was doing his last shows. I thought I was flashing back.

Polley pulls name from new film

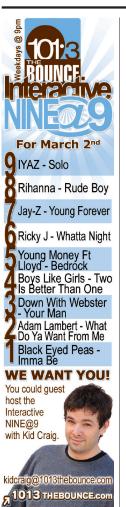
FILM Canadian director Sarah Polley is pulling her name from a short film she made that is set to air during the Academy Awards broadcast this weekend.

The Toronto-based filmmaker says The Heart was crafted to promote the Heart and Stroke Foundation. But she says in a release that she's learned her work will also promote a product when it the airs during one of the award show's commercial breaks.

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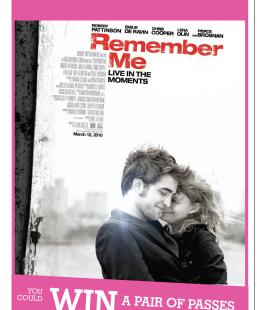
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Leno gets warm welcome: Ratings

RETURN Nielsen says Jay Leno got a warm welcome from viewers with his return on Monday to The Tonight



Jay Leno

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ratings from 56 metered
markets across the nation
give NBC's Tonight Show
with Jay Leno a 5.4 rating
and a 14 per cent share of
the viewing audience.

That compares with a 3.4 rating and eight share for ABC's Nightline, and a 3.0 rating and eight share for CBS'Late Show with David Letterman.

After 17 years, Leno left Tonight last May in the hands of new host Conan O'Brien. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In **brief**

PEOPLE Film critic Roger Ebert tried out his new voice on The Oprah Winfrey Show as he made his Oscar predictions. Ebert lost his ability to speak after surgery for cancer. But computer programmers at a Scottish company captured the sound of his voice from DVD movie commentary tracks.

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Lady A leads awards

McEntire announces country music nominees

An astounding run keeps getting better for Lady Antebellum.

Already buoyed by the crossover success of its latest album, the country trio learned it's up for seven Academy of Country Music Awards when nominations were announced yesterday.

Miranda Lambert and Carrie Underwood are next with six nominations, Taylor Swift has five and Kenny Chesney and Brad Paisley each have four.

The nominations were announced by Reba McEntire and Blake Shelton on CBS' The Early Show.

The Zac Brown Band and its frontman also had a big haul with the band receiving four nominations and Brown taking two more individually.

Lady A received five

Lady A received five nominations alone for the gravity-defying hit Need You Now, including single record, song and video of the year, and is up for top vocal group and album of the year for its debut, Lady Antebellum.

The run for Hillary Scott,



Dave Haywood, left, Hillary Scott and Charles Kelley, of Lady Antebellum. The trio is up for seven Academy of Country Music Awards.

Charles Kelley and Dave Haywood started last July when I Run To You hit No. 1. The band picked up two Country Music Association Awards in November and both the single Need You Now and the album of the same name have exceeded sales expectations.

Underwood, Chesney, Swift, Paisley, the Zac Brown Band, George Strait, Keith Urban and Toby Keith are nominated for entertainer of the year, the top honour given out at the April 18 awards in Las Vegas.

Underwood's going for

her second straight entertainer award, one of five categories voted on by fans. She would become the first woman to win two entertainer awards if she wins again.

She's also up for what would be a fourth straight top female vocalist award — with Swift, Lambert, McEntire and Lee Ann Womack — and album of the year for Play On.

Chesney is going for a fifth entertainer of the year award and is just one of three singers with four wins.

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Middle Earth in 3-D

Guillermo Del Toro has hinted that The Hobbit could be in 3-D. The director has taken over the reigns from Peter Jackson and after the success of Avatar discussions are underway about possibly making it 3-D. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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Televisions' pregnant pause

More than a few programs see taking their shows to the maternity ward risky

DOROTHY ROBINSON

This week. America's favourite co-workersturned-lovebirds, Jim (John Krasinski) and Pam (Jenna Fischer), will cele-brate the birth of their faux offspring in a special one-hour baby episode of The Office.

"I'm getting a bunch of mail, like, 'I can't wait to see you guys have a baby, because we're expecting', so I feel like we're growing up with our fans," says Jen-na Fischer about the event.

Not since Rachel Green (played by Jennifer Aniston) became pregnant on Friends has a TV birth been so eagerly anticipated. And considering that happened on 2002, it's been a while since a character on a popular sitcom has been seen procreating. Since

women do choose to have children, it's interesting that pregnancy is such a missing element in today's comedies.

"Pregnancy has never been viewed as sexy," says Melissa Camacho, a professor of broadcasting at San Francisco State University.

"When Rachel had her baby, it wasn't a huge plot

As Sheryl Bowen, an associate professor of commu-

nications at Villanova Univerputs

"Television has an inability

and John Krasinski

"In sitcom land, we prefer watching women with no real responsibilities."

to show women in more than one role at more than one time.

Female characters on TV are either sex goddesses, mothers or high-ranking professionals; rarely do all three align. And in sitcom prefer watching women with no real responsibili-

As for Pam and Jim's ba-by, Camacho doubts it will become too much of an interruption on the show.

'The focus will not shift to (Jim and Pam as) a justmarried working couple whose lives have just changed forever," she says. "It's doubtful that a baby will be seen sitting at a desk, just typing away.



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Other TV pregnancies

Both Jennifer Aniston and Jenna Fischer just played pregnant women on TV — they had no babies of their own. But when lead actresses do become pregnant, it can mean different things for their characters.

- When actress Mary Kay Stearns became pregnant in 1948, writers incorporated it into her show, Mary Kay and Johnny, making it TV's first on-screen pregnancy.
- Perhaps the most groundbreaking on-screen pregnancy was that of Lucille Ball on I Love Lucy. Although CBS would not allow the word "pregnant" to be used on the show. In fact, TV execs didn't think a pregnant woman could be shown on television but they had the bright idea to correspond the airing of Lucy Goes to the Hospital (the episode when she gives birth) to coincide with her real-life delivery of son Desi
- Many times when actresses become pregnant in real life, their character is written off the show until they aren't showing anymore. When Law & Order: Special Victims Unit star Mariska Hargitay was due with her son in 2006, her character's absence was explained by saying she went undercover for the FBI.

If you treat your friend to a better cup of coffee

did you still laugh at their new haircut?

Award-winning makeup tips

We all know Rita Hayworth gave good face. But what about her Hollywood successors? Veteran make-up artist Dino Dilio has the scoop on some of the red carpet "face work" we'll be seeing this year and how to grab the look for your own Oscar party.

> KIN: Glowy skin is in for both face and body. Gone are the days of mid-'90s spackled sparkle, but Dilio recommends a subtle shine using MAC Strobe Cream (\$38), which goes underneath vour foundation and reflects the light.

However, he cautions the oily-skinned should opt for a shimmer powder instead

EYES: Smoky eyes are still de rigeur for a sultry stare, but trendsetters have swapped their blacks and greys for metallic hues like gold and bronze with charcoal liquid eyeliner just above the lash line.

Dilio suggests placing just the smallest amount of glitter (like Sephora Glitter Shimmer Pots, \$10) on the inside corner of the lid to capture light from the flash bulbs.

LIPS: Actresses have been softening their makeup because it makes them look younger, Dilio reveals, but when it comes to Oscar night, a classic red lip is still the go-to shade. Try Clinique Angel Red (\$18). Choose a nude lip colour, like Dior Addict Lunar Brown (\$26) if you plan on playing up the JORDANA DIVON/FOR METRO CANADA



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Hollywood Votes Academy **Awards**

DREAM CELEBRITY: SANDRA

I would love to see (Best Actress nominee) Sandra Bullock in a very simple, chic hairstyle. I would slick it all back to expose her unique face. No bangs because bangs take away from her. And I would love to have a braid on the side and twist the braid to make it look like a seashell, putting a unique crystal accessory in her hair as a compliment.



Sandra Bullock

Oscar's hair-dos JORDANA DIVON

"Tell me, darling. Who

are you wearing?" It's Oscar night's endless red carpet refrain.

But with all the attention lavished on colour, fabric and designer, celebrity hairstylist Jie Matar has some stark advice for Sunday's podium-bound stars.

"The first thing you look at on the red carpet is hair," says Matar. "And if hair doesn't work, you can forget

Cate Blanchette

COLOUR: BRONZE GODDESSES

I prefer gold shades for the

Oscars. Copper hair is very in again for spring and summer.

It's about engaging with the

public and being as simple as

possible. And what I love is

healthy, shiny hair, which we

haven't seen in a while.

He's not kidding. Remember the beautiful pale pink Reem Acra gown Jennifer Lopez wore to the 2002 Oscars? No? That's probably because the tortured poodle standing to attention on her head made it impossible to retain anything south of her neckline

Though serious hair missteps like Lopez's are uncommon, Matar offers a few winning tips to make the tresses of any golden girl positively gleam and change the mantra to: "Tell me, darling. Who did your hair?"

STYLE: SIMPLICITY REIGNS

We need to get away from prom hair! Most of the time. the actresses don't use their regular stylists because they get overwhelmed and that's where they make mistakes. I like to see simple updos: chignons and twists that suit the actress's bone structure. And the simpler the better. Sometimes I like to see nothing more than a sleek ponytail if the dress is too avant garde.



Kate Winslet

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Phillips makes up mind, then changes it

The 18-year marriage between Billy Baldwin, left, and Chynna Phillips almost came to an end last week when Phillips filed divorce papers, but within days, she changed her mind and withdrew the filing, popeater.ca reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Amy, Blake seen smooching

Winehouse, 26, in PERHAPS SHE SHOULD GO TO REHAB FOR BAD RELATION-SHIPS Don't look now, but Amy Winehouse is back lip-locking ex-husband Fielder-Civil, people.com reports. The couple, who divorced last sum-

mer, cozily ate some tapas at Jamon, which has been a regular haunt for

Camden, north London. Sunday. Friends of the singer say there is nothing formal being discussed tween the two, who have only seen each other a handful of times since he left jail last ear. METRO
NEWS SERVICES vear.

Allen's dog gets roughed up

THOSE BRITISH BULLDOG CAN BE PRETTY TOUGH A vicious attack on Lily Allen's dog Mabel gave the singer a real scare, forcing an after-hours emergency run to the vet, popeater.ca is reporting. But all is well for Mabel and Allen tweeted a picture of her bandaged dog. "Mabel got beaten up by bigger dogs," Allen tweet-ed. "She went to

doggy hospital, but she's

A passerby at Allen's North London neighborhood vet saw the popstar and her boyfriend Sam Cooper keeping vigil long after the attack and long after the clinic had closed to the public. "She was doing a lot of pacing in the winthe witness tells PopEater exclusively. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Twilight stars get touchy feely

I WONDER IF PATTINSON GAVE STEWART A LITTLE BITE ON THE NECK? Twilight co-stars Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart continue to get attention for their suspected relationship. The pair showed up at a New York City restaurant over weekend with friends, but might

as well have been all by themselves, sources tell Gatecrasher.

"Robert and Kristen sat really close together and kept touching and rubbing each other's arms as if no one else was around," a source says "They definitely appeared to be an

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Osbourne says she lost weight herself

THE STARS TRANING DIDN'T HURT EITHER Kelly Osbourne is thrilled with her new svelte figure, but she's not so thrilled with critics suggesting she got it the easy

way.

"The rumours are ridiculous. They send out the wrong message because I've shaped up working hard for months — it wasn't a quick fix," she writes in her column in Closer magazine. "Someone even

said I've had a gastric bypass! I have 100 per cent not had any of that. I've lost weight from face, and that's why it looks different.

And the former reality star quite candid about why she

gone under the knife. "I can say with confidence that the only time I've been in a plastic surgeon's office was with my mum, and though I wouldn't rule it out when I'm older, right now I couldn't even do it if I wanted because of my past addictions couldn't take the medication they put vou on.'

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Murphy's will leaves her hubby nothing: Report

MAMA'S GIRL Brittany Murphy - who died after a battle with pneumonia Dec. 20 at age 30 — didn't leave a dime to husband Simon Monjack, usmagazine.com reports. She left her entire estate to her mother, Sharon, according to TMZ.com.

The site reports that years before

Murphy wed Monjack in 2007, handshe wrote a leaving her mother everything. The will stored was in manager's

Moniack wasn't surprised he was left out. He tells TMZ that before they wed, the actress' formal will, along with a trust, was drafted.

At his request, the will specifically stated, "I am married to Simon Monjack who I have intentionally left out of this will,"

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Gaga says she is celibate

CAN GIVE HER A PROMISE RING? Lady Gaga has made an art form of skimpy outfits, but at the moment it's all for show. The pop star says she is currently single and celibate, people.com reports.

"I haven't got time to spend on the road to get to know anyone," she told reporters this week at MAC cosmetics'

Glam event in London, rethe U.K.'s Mirror. "Even Ladv

> Gaga can be celibate. You don't have have sex to be loved.' The singer, 23.

who ar-

through black lace dress, may be abstaining — but that doesn't preclude her offering opinions from about what goes on in the bedroom.

"Sex should be fun, beautiful and colorful, but women get the short end of the stick," she says. "We're just receivers. We can't talk about sex, we can't sing about sex.

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Celeb**Tweets**

MADSEN is having some fashion issues, LIND-SAY LOHAN an can't make it through an Emilio Estevez movie, KARL LAGERFELD gets serious about not being serious, and JOHN MAYER knows his limits.

@madlyv Fitting for my Oscar gown! But where can I hide my iPhone?

@lindsavlohan watching Young Guns... my eyes are about to close, they feel heavy, probably coz i'm tired! night night

@Karl Lagerfeld Fashion does not have to prove that it is serious. It is the proof that intelligent frivolity can be something creative and positive.

@johncmayer Two Krispy Kreme doughnuts, good Three Krispy Kreme dough-



Simpson blasts **Mayer on Oprah**

SOBER TALK Jessica Simpson strikes back at John Mayer over his unchivalrous comments about her in his recent Playboy interview "I don't want people to know how I am in bed," Simpson tells Oprah Winfrey during a visit to her talk show airing in today, according to Us Weekly. Simpson and Winfrey also discuss how the singer is affected by negative

comments about her weight. METRO WORLD

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Lohan slacked off at rehab

GRADE: INCOMPLETE Lindsay Lohan admits a few of her stints in rehab might not have been so successful because she didn't fully commit to them.

"The second two times I went to rehab, to be honest with you, I had to go because it was a court thing. It was an obligation. I had to do it to stay out of getting any jail time," Lohan tells Britain's OK! Magazine, saying that she found the visits relaxing.

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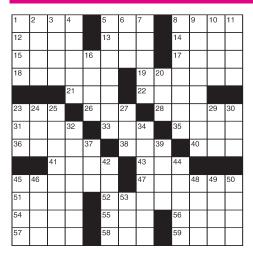


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Metro Recipe of the Day



Garlic Seafood Pasta

INGREDIENTS:

14 oz (400 g) linguine 2 tbsp (25 mL) olive oil 3 garlic cloves, crushed 4 tbsp (60 mL) dry white wine

1/2 lb (250 g) cherry tomatoes, quartered 2 packs frozen cooked seafood mix 3 tbsp (45 mL) ricotta cheese

1 oz (30 g) fresh flat-leaf parsley, roughly chopped

METHOD

1. Cook linguine according to pack instructions, until al dente.

2. While pasta is cooking. heat oil in frying pan. Add garlic, then stir in wine. Simmer 1 minute; stir in

tomatoes. Add seafood and return to simmer. Cook. stirring occasionally, 4 minutes, or until tomatoes have started to soften and seafood is thoroughly heated. Stir in ricotta cheese, heat gently and season to taste.

3. Drain pasta and turn into warmed serving bowl. Spoon sauce over pasta. Add parsley and gently toss until thoroughly combined. Serve immediately.

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 Make the most of what you possess, emotionally and materially.

It may seem less than what others are enjoying but it is more than enough for your needs.

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Get going on that you have a huge backlog of chores that need to be dealt with. Start on them today and don't stop until you have finished.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

The last few days have been hectic. Fortunately, today's Mercury-Saturn aspect will help you cut your workload down to manageable proportions.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

It does not matter why certain things have happened. What matters is that you accept them and make the best of them. Keep your attitude positive.

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Some things take longer than others to get going, so don't worry if you seem to be getting nowhere. You are building the foundations for future success

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NOV 23-DEC 21 You want everything to be in its

proper place and you will work hard to make sure there are no loose ends or bits and pieces you might accidentally trip over.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22
Life may seem a bit dull at the moment but don't let that fool you. There is a lot going on behind the scenes and it won't be

long before you are busy.

CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

Spell everything out in plain and simple language today. The people you are going to be dealing with are simply incapable of understanding big concepts.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

For some reason you seem determined to force a confrontation, but that's the last thing you should be doing. Keep a low profile and stay out of harm's way

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18 Don't give too much away. That applies to money, of course, but it also applies to what you tell other people about your plans for the future.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

Just because a friend or work colleague isn't saying much at the moment does not mean they no longer like you. It's no big deal.

PISCES FEB 19-MARCH 20

Forget about the past and live for the moment. Worrying about "what might have been" is sure to hold you back. It's what you do next that matters.

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1923: Time magazine is published for the first time. 1939: In Mumbai, Mohandas Gandhi begins to fast in protest at the autocratic rule in India.

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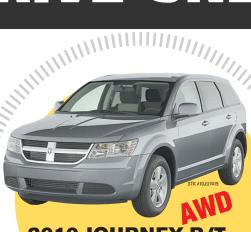


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